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PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL
BECAUSE OF ACTUAL
INFRINGEMENT
(37 CFR §1.102 and MPEP §708.02)

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Sir:

Applicant hereby petitions to make this application special because of actual infringement.

Accompanying this petition are:

- **Statement by Attorney In Support of Petition to Make Special Because of Actual Infringement;**
- **Declaration of Bulent Dervisoglu In Support of Petition to Make Special;**
- **Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement Under 37 CFR §1.97 and §1.98; and**
- **PTO Form-1449 and copies of cited references.**

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STATEMENT BY ATTORNEY IN
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Sir:

1. I am the attorney who prepared and filed the above patent application on behalf of the inventors, Bulent Dervisoglu, Laurence H. Cooke, and Vacit Arat.

2. I believe that there are infringing devices or products actually on the market, specifically, FPGAs (field programmable gate arrays) sold by Xilinx, Incorporated of San Jose, California, with a feature termed an "Integrated Logic Analyzer" core for testing and debugging the FPGAs. As support for this statement, I attach the accompanying Declaration of Bulent Dervisoglu In Support of Petition to Make Special (see Paragraphs 2 and 3) and the Exhibits accompanying that Declaration.

3. A rigid comparison of the alleged infringing Xilinx devices or products with the claims of the application has been made and, in my opinion, some of the claims are unquestionably infringed.

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4. Furthermore, there appear to be other infringing devices or products actually on the market from ARM Technologies in Great Britain. These devices or products are ASICs (Application Specific Integrated Circuits) with microprocessor or microcontroller macrocells with a feature termed an "Embedded Trace Macrocell." As support for these statements I attach the accompanying Declaration of Bulent Dervisoglu In Support of Petition to Make Special (see Paragraph 4) and the accompanying Exhibits.

5. A rigid comparison of the alleged infringing ARM devices or products with the claims of the application has been made by inference from the described feature, and, in my opinion, I believe that some of the claims are infringed.

6. I have asked that a careful and thorough search of the prior art to be made (see Paragraph 5 in the accompanying Declaration of Bulent Dervisoglu In Support of Petition to Make Special) and the results of that search are submitted herewith in the accompanying Form PTO-1449 with a copy of each of the cited references.

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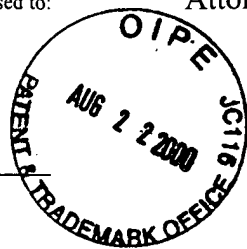
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DECLARATION OF BULENT
DERVISOGLU IN SUPPORT OF
PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

I, Bulent Dervisoglu, do hereby declare that:

1. I, along with Laurence H. Cooke and Vacit Arat, am the inventor of the subject matter of the patent application identified above.

2. I believe that there are integrated circuit devices on the market which infringe the claims of our patent application. One set of devices are FPGA's (field programmable gate arrays) sold by Xilinx, Incorporated (hereafter "Xilinx") of San Jose, California, with a feature termed an "Integrated Logic Analyzer (ILA)" core, for testing and debugging the FPGA's. I attach a printout of Xilinx web pages announcing this feature, as Exhibit A. In conjunction with this feature, on March 7, 2000 Xilinx made a joint announcement with Agilent Technologies, Incorporated of Palo Alto, California of a software

tool, termed "ChipScope," to exploit the Xilinx ILA core. The joint announcement is attached herein as Exhibit B.

3. Furthermore, I believe that these two companies created these FPGA's with the ILA core feature from the invention described in our patent application. At the end of 1999, an Agilent employee asked me for a copy of a paper which I had presented at the ITC'99 conference. The paper was based upon the invention described in our patent application. I gave the employee a copy of my paper and the slides which I had used at the ITC presentation.

4. I also believe that certain devices of another company, ARM Technologies in Great Britain, infringe the claims of our patent application. I base this belief upon the description of a feature, termed an "Embedded Trace Macrocell," announced for certain ASIC's (Application Specific Integrated Circuits), i.e., ARM9 and ARM7 Thumb Family devices. I attach a listing of the ARM microprocessor and microcontroller macrocells from the website of ARM Technologies and an ARM paper describing an integrated circuit debugging feature entitled "Real Time Debug", as Exhibits C and D respectively. The ARM paper references the Embedded Trace Macrocell.

5. I have also performed a search of the prior art of my patent application which I believe to be careful and thorough. The results of the search are submitted herewith in the accompanying Form PTO-1449.

I further declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

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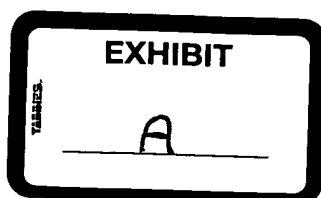
Xilinx' ChipScope ILA for state-of-the-art logic Debugging and quicker design verification



Speed your verification cycles without using cumbersome external probing methods

On-chip Logic Analysis is Key to Cutting Design Cycles

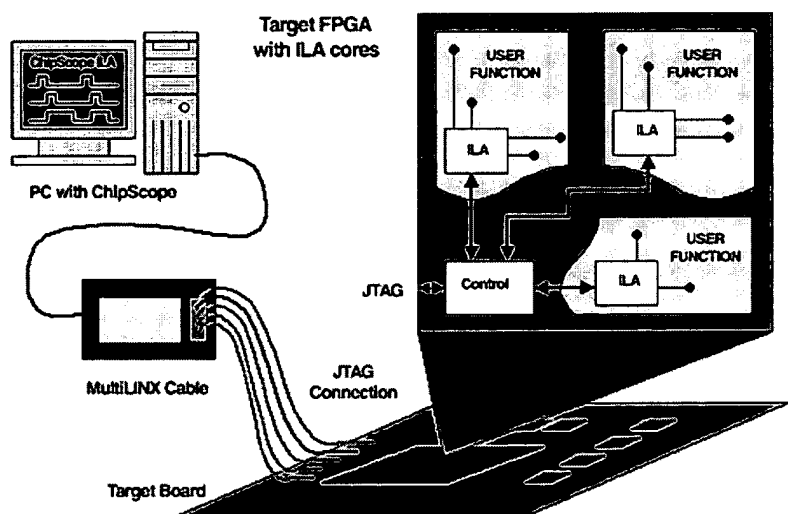
The need for thorough debugging capabilities in today's multi-million gate FPGA designs is critical. Verifying logic externally by probing package pins or board traces is becoming increasingly difficult. Using traditional methods, capturing traces on devices running at system speeds of >200MHz can be challenging. Ball grid arrays have rows of leads buried beneath the package that are inaccessible using conventional probing methods. Small, multilayer boards have lines buried deep within the epoxy that cannot be accessed using external tools and oscilloscope.



Attaching headers to aid in debugging can have adverse effects on system timing for high-speed busses, and consumes valuable PCB real estate. Since external access is no longer always possible, Xilinx has created a solution that integrates the verification capability into the silicon itself. ChipScope Software combined with the Integrated Logic Analysis (ILA) core allows real-time access to any node in the chip, with an easy-to-use GUI interface. With these powerful tools, designers spend less time verifying chip functionality and speed up their time-to-market. Today's complex devices and leadless packaging require on-chip logic analysis. Xilinx' ChipScope ILA facilitates real-time, on-chip de-bugging.

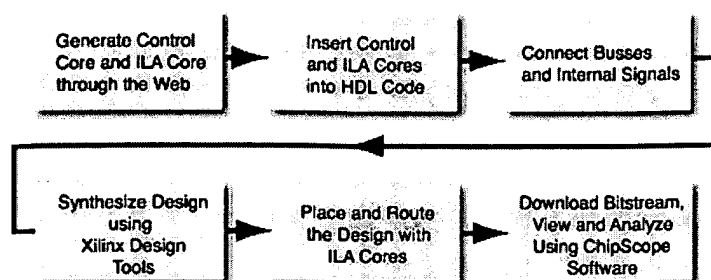
Co-Developed with Agilent Technologies for Flexibility and Ease-of-Use

The ChipScope software and ILA core were developed in partnership with Agilent Technologies, today's market leaders in logic analysis. The FBDF format output from ChipScope is compatible with the Agilent Technology 16700 series analyzer. Using ChipScope software and the ChipScope ILA core, designers have access to every internal node and the complete data bus at full system speed. Once the ILA core is integrated into the FPGA device, easy-to-use ChipScope software allows the designer to quickly download to the FPGA, modify trigger and set-up functions, and display waveforms for the captured traces. The ChipScope tools can be used with Virtex, Virtex-E and Spartan-II FPGA families.



Integrated Logic Analyzer Block Diagram

The components of the ChipScope suite include two soft cores; the integrated control core (ICON), which communicates to the dedicated JTAG pins, and the integrated logic analyzer core (ILA) that provides trigger and trace capture. ChipScope software allows set-up and trace display for the ILA core. A MultiLINX or Parallel Cable III download cable provides USB/RS232 interface for communication between the FPGA and the ChipScope tools.



ChipScope ILA Flow

The ILA and Control cores are generated through the web using a Java application. The cores are inserted into the design HDL code and connected to the internal busses and signals to be extracted. Then the design is synthesized and placed and routed using Xilinx' Foundation or Alliance series tools. The bitstream is downloaded, and can be analyzed through the ChipScope software.

ChipScope ILA Tools are Powerful and Accurate

ChipScope contains many features that Xilinx FPGA designers need to thoroughly verify their logic.. The number of data channels are user selectable from 1 to 256. The depth of the sample buffer ranges from 256 to 4096 samples, effectively doubling any FPGA logic analysis capability on the market today. Triggers are changeable in real-time without affecting the user logic. ChipScope software is easy-to-use and leads the designer through the process of modifying triggers and analyzing the data.

ChipScope ILA Tools	
Features	Benefits
User selectable data channels of 1 to 256	Accurately captures wide data bus functionality
User selectable sample size from 256 to 4096 samples	Large sample size increases accuracy and probability of capturing infrequent events
Separate bus trigger with user selectable width of 1-64 bits	Separate trigger bus reduces the need for sample storage
All data and trigger operations synchronous to user clock to 155 MHz	Capable of high speed data capture
Triggers are in-system changeable without affecting user logic	No need to signal step for stop a design for logic analysis
Can write waveforms to VCD and FBDF format	Compatible with Agilent Technologies and other waveform viewers
Easy to use graphical interface	Makes learning the software very easy, guides the user through selecting the correct options
Up to 15 independent ILA capture cores per device	Can segment logic and test smaller sections of a large design for greater accuracy
Multiple trigger settings	Records duration and number of events along

	with matches and ranges for greater accuracy and flexibility
Downloadable from the Xilinx Web Site	Software and cores easily accessed and downloadable via the Xilinx Xpresso Cafe.

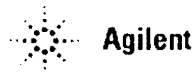
ChipScope Suite Additional Verification Tools

In the following months, additional verification tools will be available within the ChipScope suite. The Internal Performance Analyzer (IPA) core allows user to log and capture events. The integrated self-test module (IST) will provide self test capability at the device level. In addition to being available through the Xilinx Xpresso Cafe e-commerce site, the tools will be integrated into Xilinx' Foundation and Alliance series software.

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**XILINX AND AGILENT TECHNOLOGIES COOPERATE
TO IMPROVE FPGA DESIGNER PRODUCTIVITY**

New Xilinx ChipScope ILA tool enhances time-to-market advantage

SAN JOSE, Calif., March 7, 2000—Xilinx, Inc. (NASDAQ:XLNX) and Agilent Technologies, Inc. (NYSE:KEYS) today jointly announced the ChipScope Integrated Logic Analyzer (ILA) tool. This software tool, combined with the Agilent Technologies 16700 series logic analysis systems, allows Xilinx® field programmable array (FPGA) users to easily debug multimillion gate designs. The ChipScope ILA™ core can be integrated into the actual FPGA design to provide real-time logic analyzer capabilities. The tools were developed in conjunction with Agilent, the leader in logic analysis tools. As a result, ChipScope ILA tool and the Agilent 16700 series of logic analyzers are designed to be compatible for system-level debugging.

By combining these two powerful tools, designers spend less time debugging in-system chip functional blocks, improving their time-to-market. While the need for thorough debugging capabilities in multi-million gate FPGA designs remains, externally probing package pins or board traces is becoming increasingly difficult. Using conventional logic analyzer probing methods to access leads in today's advanced ball grid technology or high-performance devices can be challenging. The Xilinx ChipScope ILA tool addresses these challenges by integrating logic analyzer capability into the FPGA. The Xilinx ChipScope ILA software and the ILA core allow real-time access to any node in the chip at full system speed, with an easy-to-use GUI interface. The ChipScope software allows designers to quickly download to the FPGA, modify trigger and set-up functions, and display waveforms for the captured traces. The Integrated Logic Analyzer data also can be displayed on the Agilent 16700 Logic Analyzer, time correlated with other system data acquired by the 16700.

"Today's Internet-enabled world has product development windows shrinking at enormous rates," said Ivo Sevcik, senior vice president of software, cores, and support at Xilinx. "Time to market advantages are more critical to the designers and to the success of their products. In many cases, today's logic designers are looking for the first at which solution enables a shorter time to market. The existing FPGA time-to-market advantage combined with real-time logic analysis further shortens that critical development window."

The ChipScope ILA capability includes real-time trace capture and performs synchronously to the internal clock up to 155 MHz. Its capabilities double that of competitive logic analysis tools: it can process up to 100 samples and 256 channels. Multiple trigger settings capture not only matches and ranges, but can record duration and number of events. This gives the user a wide range of flexible options for complex events.

Cooperative Effort with Agilent Technologies

The Agilent 16700 series logic analyzers are the most widely used logic analyzers for system debug. The combination of the Agilent 16700 series logic analyzers and the Xilinx ChipScope ILA tool will enable a new debug paradigm in concurrent on-chip FPGA and board-level system debugging.

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"When two market leaders join efforts to deliver an integrated solution, their mutual customers succeed. Pat Byrne, a general manager of the Electronic Products and Solutions Group in Agilent Technologies. "Multimillion-gate FPGA designers need state-of-the-art verification tools and many of those designers already Agilent customers. This was a natural fit to help our customer base get to market more quickly."

Over the next quarter and in cooperation with Agilent, Xilinx plans to introduce additional verification applications to help high gate-count designers efficiently analyze FPGA logic and performance. These include the ChipScope Integrated Performance Analyzer (IPA), which enables in-system performance monitoring and analysis of events, bandwidth, and transactions. Xilinx also plans built-in self test (BIST) for self-test capabilities at the device level.

U.S. Pricing and Availability

The ChipScope tool and the ILA core for Virtex™, Virtex-E and Spartan™-II FPGAs are now available for download through the Xilinx Xpresso Café E-Commerce site and are available at the introductory price of \$195. The ChipScope IPA and ChipScope BIST modules are currently in beta testing and are expected to be available in second quarter. The tools also will be offered with high-density configurations of the Xilinx Foundation Series™ and Alliance Series™ software.

Xilinx is the leading innovator of complete programmable logic solutions, including advanced integrated circuits, software design tools, predefined system functions delivered as cores, and unparalleled field engineering support. Founded in 1984 and headquartered in San Jose, Calif., Xilinx invented the field programmable gate array (FPGA) and fulfills more than half of the world demand for these devices today. Xilinx solutions enable customers to reduce significantly the time required to develop products for the computer, peripheral, telecommunications, networking, industrial control, instrumentation, high-reliability/military, and consumer markets. For more information, visit the Xilinx web site at www.xilinx.com

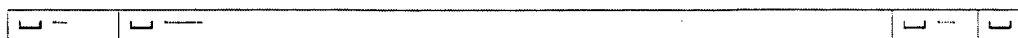
Agilent Technologies, Inc. (NYSE: A) is a diversified technology company, resulting from Hewlett-Packard Company's plan to strategically realign itself into two fully independent companies. With 42,000 employees serving customers in more than 120 countries, Agilent Technologies is a global leader in designing and manufacturing test, measurement and monitoring instruments, systems and solutions, and semiconductor optical components. The company serves markets that include communications, electronics, life science and healthcare. The businesses comprising Agilent, a subsidiary of HP, had net revenues of more than \$8.3 billion in fiscal year 1999. Information about Agilent Technologies can be found on the Web at www.agilent.com

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
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ARM7 Datasheets

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ARM7100	DDI-0035A	Jan 1996	download options	Preliminary
ARM7500	DDI-0050C	Oct 1995	download options	
ARM7500FE	DDI-0077B	Sep 1996	download options	

Embedded Trace Macrocells

ETM Spec (Rev0/0a)	IHI-0014 C issued Dec 1999	678KB
ARM9 ETM9 (Rev0/0a)	DDI-0157 B issued Mar 2000	457KB
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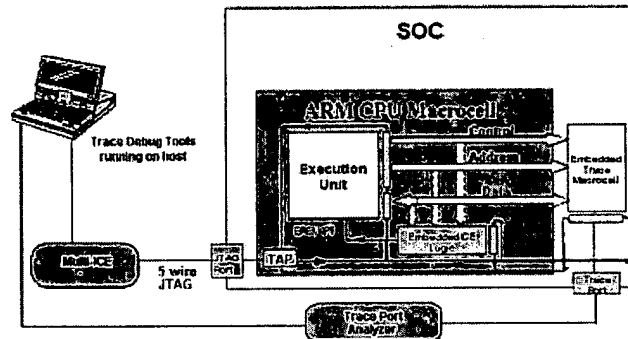
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Real Time Debug

Overview

Real Time Debug (RTD) further enhances ARM's excellent debug capability with the following new features:

- An historical trace of instruction flow and data accesses
- Collection of trace information about a complex trigger point
- A synthesizable trace macrocell configurable to match user requirements
- Breakpoint or step code in ROM and RAM whilst interrupts are serviced
- Read or write memory without stopping the application
- Real time monitor with small footprint and low latency.



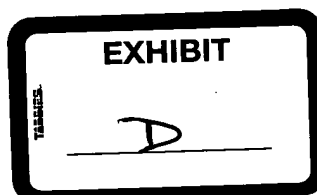
ARM has improved its debug solution to meet the following needs:

- To support the increased level of integration and speed of ASICs. Existing methods of debugging, for example In-Circuit Emulators and Logic Analyzers, are reaching physical limits and can no longer provide the required debug capabilities without on-chip debug support
- To provide software engineers with the ability to review processor activity around an unpredictable event
- For real-time market areas, for example in hard disc drive and automotive applications, where trace and changing memory values, without stopping the processor, are an absolute necessity

ARM's Real Time Debug solution is delivered by two new products:

- Real Time Trace (RTT)
- Real Time Monitor (RTM)..

Resources:



- [Technical Reference Manuals](#) for Embedded Trace Macrocell (Feb 2000).

White Paper - [Real Time Debug for System-on-Chip Devices](#) in PDF format (18Kb).



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